

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA  
CRIMINAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

MELISSA DUFOUR

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CRIMINAL NO.: 1:23-CR-00131-WS

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE MOTION UNDER SEAL

Comes now, Defendant, by and through her attorney of record, William C. Alford, pursuant to Local Rule 5.2 and files this motion for leave to file under seal. The defendant requests this Court allow her Sentencing Memorandum be filed under seal because it contains sensitive material regarding mental/psychological health information and treatment along with personal circumstances and history. These issues are discussed in the Presentence Report and that document was filed under seal. Any other method other than filing under seal are inadequate because other methods would cause this information to be exposed to the public. The Sentencing Memorandum should remain under seal indefinitely or until the Presentence Report is unsealed.

Wherefore, Counsel respectfully requests that the proposed document be sealed except for the copies to the AUSA currently assigned to this case.

Respectfully submitted, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2024, by:

/s/ William C. Alford  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy was served via electronic filing on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2024 to all parties.

/s/William C. Alford

CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

Counsel has conferred with AUSA George May and he is unopposed to Defendant's motion.

/S/ E. Matthew Leeper, III

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ORDER

Wherefore premises considered, Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Under Seal is hereby  
GRANTED. It is therefore ordered that Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Under Seal is GRANTED.

SIGNED this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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The Honorable William H. Steele  
United States District Judge